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SUBJECT: REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR WORK OF CIEC COMMISSIONS

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1. WE APPRECIATE THE MAJOR IMPORTANCE OF CIEC (AND OTHER MULTILATERAL ISSUES) AND THE NEED FOR CONTINUED INTENSIVE REPORTING ON MEMBER COUNTRY ATTITUDES. WE FIND HERE THAT WE HAVE EASY ACCESS TO THE GOI OFFICIALS CONCERNED AND THEY ARE FRIENDLY AND OPEN IN COMMENTING ON ANY ISSUE WE RAISE. MOREOVER, GOI ATTITUDES ON MANY ISSUES PARALLEL OUR OWN.

2. OUR PROBLEM IN DEALING WITH GOI OFFICIALS REMAINS LACK OF BASIC INFORMATION ON MANY POINTS AND, MOST IMPORTANT, VERY POOR FEEDBACK ON WHAT ACTUALLY OCCURRED AT VARIOUS MEETINGS, WHAT ROLE WAS PLAYED BY THE GOI AND THE NEGOTIATING STANCE IT ADOPTED. WE UNDERSTAND THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE THAT THE GOI WAS HELPFUL BUT HAVE NEVER HEARD THIS OFFICIALLY. INDIAN PRESS COVERAGE OF THESE EVENTS USUALLY TOUCHES ON INDIAN DELEGATION POSITIONS, BUT WE ARE UNABLE TO EVALUATE THEIR ACCURACY OR SIGNIFICANCE. WE FACE A SIMILAR PROBLEM IN DISCUSSING MEETINGS IN POST MORTEM SESSIONS WITH GOI OFFICIALS. WE WOULD URGE, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT ALL REPORTING ON INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS ROUTINELY INCLUDE A SECTION IDENTIFYING KEY

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DELEGATIONS AND BRIEFLY DESCRIBING THE ROLE EACH PLAYED.

3. IN ORDER TO GIVE FOCUS TO OUR ONGOING CONTACTS HERE, WE ALSO
NEED TO BE INFORMED OF SPECIFIC ISSUES WHERE THE INDIAN POSITION IN
PARTICULAR IS IMPORTANT, WHETHER POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE.

4. TO SUM UP, WE WOULD LIKE TO BE HELPFUL, THINK WE CAN BE, BUT
NEED MORE FEEDBACK IN ORDER TO DO THE JOB YOU WANT US TO DO.
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